

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ☐
no ☒

Property Name: Brick Tavern-Lappans Inventory Number: WA-II-023
Address: 18154 Lappans Road City: Fairplay Zip Code: 21733
County: Washington USGS Topographic Map: Funkstown (1953, rev. 1971)
Owner: Mark D McNamee Is the property being evaluated a district? ☐ yes
Tax Parcel Number: 104 Tax Map Number: 62 Tax Account ID Number: 004656
Project: Intersection Improvements, MD 65 and MD 68 #WA142A21 Agency: Maryland State Highway Administration
Site visit by MHT Staff: ☒ no ☐ yes Name: _____ Date: _____
Is the property located within a historic district? ☐ yes ☒ no

If the property is within a district

District Inventory Number: _____

NR-listed district ☐ yes Eligible district ☐ yes District Name: _____

Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource ☐ yes ☐ no Non-contributing but eligible in another context ☐

If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district)

Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible ☐ yes ☒ no

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: "Brick Tavern" MIHP form prepared by Paula Stoner Dickey (1978).

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

Location and Setting

This building is located at the northwest corner of the intersections of MD 68 and MD 65 in the village of Lappans.

Description

This 2-story, 4-bay-wide and 2-bay-deep brick building has a fieldstone foundation and a metal gable roof. There are interior-end brick chimneys at each gable end. Window and door openings are topped by plain wooden lintels. Several windows have an arched upper sash. There is a 2-story, shed-roofed porch on the south gable end. The first story is open and has plain metal posts. The second story is enclosed but retains chamfered posts with brackets and a turned wooden balustrade. To the north is a 1-story gable-roofed wing with a gable-end chimney that appears contemporary with the main portion of the building. This wing has a small shed-roofed frame ell on the east. To the rear (west) is a 2-story, shed-roofed frame portion sheathed with vinyl siding. On its west is an open carport. There is a 2-story, 3-bay ell on the south side of the building.

Condition and Alterations/Additions

Although the building retains its basic massing, it has had numerous additions and alterations to its exterior fabric. These include several replacement doors and windows, the enclosing of the south porch, the non-historic west addition with its carport and the ell attached to the north wing.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

Eligibility recommended ☐ Eligibility not recommended ☒

Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G ☐ None

Comments: _____

Jim [Signature]
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

Jim [Signature]
Reviewer, NR Program

5/4/06

Date

5/22/06

Date

200600794

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIBILITY REVIEW FORM**

Continuation Sheet No. 1

WA-II-23

Historical Background

Tax records indicate an 1843 date of construction for this building, which was undoubtedly built to serve travelers at the intersection of the Boonsboro-Williamsport Turnpike (chartered in 1810) and the Hagerstown-Sharpsburg Pike (chartered in 1819). The building is shown on an 1855 map of the area as being owned by "Kennedy." William B. Kennedy was serving as postmaster of what was known as Lappans Crossroads in 1853, suggesting that this building served as the local post office at least as far back as that date. In 1868, the building and surrounding ½ acre of land were sold by Alexis P. Tabler to George Anderson for \$3,900 (Washington County Deed Book LBN 2-377). The Atlas of Washington County from 1877 shows it occupied by G.W. Anderson. Beginning in 1891, the building had a succession of short-term owners, including Daniel Holland, who bought it in 1891; Harvey Stone, who bought it in 1893; and Levin Turner, who bought it in 1897. Both Holland and Stone served as Lappans' postmasters. The 1897 deed identifies a "brick building used as a store and dwelling house" along with hay scales (Washington County Deed Book 107-375). Later owners included J. Edgar Rowland, John W. Petra, Cornelius Snively, and Harry Mayhue, who bought it in 1925. Rowland and Petra also served as Lappans' postmasters. Williams' *History of Washington County* identifies Snively as a local farmer and both Rowland and Petra as storekeepers at Lappans (Williams 1908: 907, 954-955, 1008). The post office at Lappans was discontinued in 1903. The building passed through several more owners during the 20th century until bought by the present owners in 1996.

Evaluation

The Brick Tavern is not associated with a known event or series of events significant on the local, state, or national level. Although the building served as the community's post office between 1843 and 1903, it is otherwise not historically significant. Additionally, the building has been substantially altered by the enclosing of the 2-story porch, replacement of wooden porch posts with metal posts, addition of an ell on the west, and the replacement of many windows and doors. The building has lost integrity of materials, design, and workmanship. The building no longer serves as either a post office or store and lost integrity of association. The demolition of the former tavern which stood on the south side of Lappans Road and its replacement with a gas station has diminished the building's integrity of setting. The Brick Tavern is not eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) under Criterion A.

The Brick Tavern is not associated with the life of an individual significant on the local, state, or national level and is not eligible for the NRHP under Criterion B.

The Brick Tavern does not embody the characteristics of a style, period, or method of construction, and is not the work of a known architect or builder. It is an unexceptional example of domestic architecture from this period and is not significant architecturally. Additionally, the building has been substantially altered by the enclosing of the 2-story porch, replacement of wooden porch posts with metal posts, addition of an ell on the west, and the replacement of most windows and doors. The building has lost integrity of materials, design, and workmanship. The demolition of the former tavern which stood on the south side of Lappans Road and its replacement with a gas station has diminished the building's integrity of setting. The Brick Tavern is not NRHP-eligible under Criterion C.

The Brick Tavern is not NRHP-eligible under Criterion D.

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Prepared by:

Date Prepared: 10-25-05

ADDENDUM

WA-II-023

Brick Tavern

18154 Lappans Road

Lappans, Washington County

Surveyor: G. Henry 10-2005

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Sources:

Williams, Thomas.

1908 *History of Washington County*. Rigaud Publishing Company, Baltimore MD.

Washington County Land Records, Washington County Courthouse, Hagerstown, MD.

Washington County Free Library-Western Maryland Room

Unsourced list of post offices and postmasters in Washington County.



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BRICK TAVEN

18154 LAPPANS RD

WASHINGTON COUNTY

G. HEWITT 10/2005

NEGATIVES AT MD STATE

VIEW LOOKING NE



WA-11-023

BRICK TAVENW

18154 LAPPANS RD.

WASHINGTON County

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G. Henry W-2005

NEGATIVES AT MOST HPO

VIEW LOOKING WEST

(No. 1A) B&WMC

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EAST WEST
MARYLAND
68
68
← →

Budweiser COLD BEER INSIDE
Lite \$17.99 30 Pack Cans

WA-11-023

BRICK TAVERN

18154 LAPPANS RD

WASHINGTON COUNTY

G. HENRY 10-2002

NEGATIVES AT 100 ft

VIEW LOOKING SOUTH

ABSTRACT

WA-II-023

Mid 19th Century

Brick Tavern, Lappans

Fairplay Vicinity

private

This two story brick building is located at a major 18th and 19th century crossroad. Its exterior appearance is suggestive of the mid 19th century. According to tradition the building may have served as an inn or tavern. Its numerous doors at the first story level also suggest public use.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

WA-II-023
District 12
Map 62
Parcel 104
MAGI # 2207155626

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

AND/OR COMMON

Brick Tavern, Lappans

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Lappans Crossroads, Md. 68 and Md. 65

CITY, TOWN

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

☒ VICINITY OF Fairplay

6

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Washington

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☒ PRIVATE☐ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☒ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☐ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☒ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Robert J. McNamee

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

Route # 1

CITY, TOWN

Fairplay

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21733

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,

REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Washington County Court House

Liber #: 580

Folio #: 441

STREET & NUMBER

West Washington Street

CITY, TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

Maryland 21740

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

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CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT

☒ GOOD

☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED

☐ RUINS

☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED

☒ ALTERED < 50%

CHECK ONE

☒ ORIGINAL SITE

☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This two story brick building, now a grocery store and tavern is located at the southwest corner of Lappans Crossroads, the intersection of Maryland Routes 65 and 68. The building is situated with its end wall facing Maryland Route 68. The surface of the building has been painted white and it rests on low stone foundations.

Large wooden lintels are present above the window and door openings. Windows have narrow frames with two over two pane double hung sashes. The upper panes have round-arched tops. The building has numerous doors at all elevations suggesting possible original use other than a dwelling. Each door has a transom. A Victorian period two story porch extends along the south end wall. Metal poles support its lower section.

The roof is sheathed with sheet metal and large brick chimneys with corbeling at their tops are located inside the end walls.

The property contains less than an acre.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

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PERIOD

☐ PREHISTORIC
☐ 1400-1499
☐ 1500-1599
☐ 1600-1699
☐ 1700-1799
☒ 1800-1899
☐ 1900-

☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC
☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC
☐ AGRICULTURE
☒ ARCHITECTURE
☐ ART
☒ COMMERCE
☐ COMMUNICATIONS

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

☐ COMMUNITY PLANNING
☐ CONSERVATION
☐ ECONOMICS
☐ EDUCATION
☐ ENGINEERING
☐ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT
☐ INDUSTRY
☐ INVENTION

☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
☐ LAW
☐ LITERATURE
☐ MILITARY
☐ MUSIC
☐ PHILOSOPHY
☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

☐ RELIGION
☐ SCIENCE
☐ SCULPTURE
☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
☐ THEATER
☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATAACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .74 acre

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

Paula Stoner Dickey, Consultant

ORGANIZATION

Washington County Historical Sites Survey

DATE

January 1978

STREET & NUMBER

County Office Building, 33 West Washington Street

TELEPHONE

791-3065

CITY OR TOWN

Hagerstown

STATE

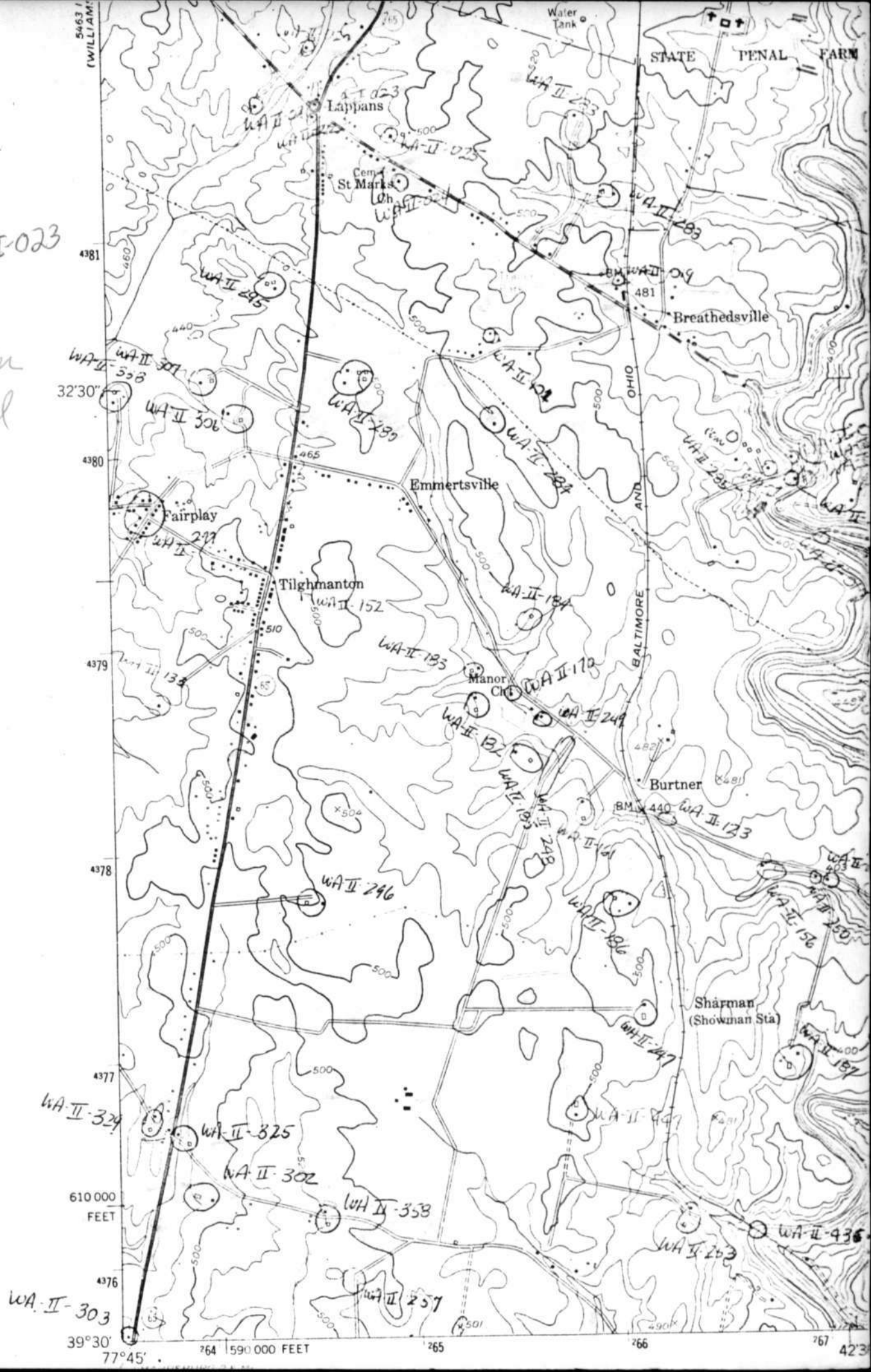
Maryland 21740

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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Annapolis, Maryland 21401
(301) 267-1438

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Brick Tavern Lappan's

Lappans Crossroads, Md. 68 & Md.65
Fariplay Vicinity

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CONSULTANT, WASHINGTON CO
HISTORICAL SITES SURVEY